PETROCHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) No company has been given industrial approval to manufacture Rifampicin from intermediate stage.

lb) to (e) Do not arise.

(f) Yes. Sir.

(g) the price fixed was Rs. 3000]- per kg. based on the Drug .Price Control Order (DPCO), 1979.

(h) The international prices are subject to g uctuatibn and this
Department docs no monitor the same.

Categorisation of drugs

988. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of . INDUSTRy be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that under Cate gory III of existing Druss Price Control Order, rnedicirfes are price controlled under therapeutic group;

(b) whether it is a fact that categorisa tion of proposed formulations under Category Ji is not being done on thera peutic indications;

(c) whether it is a fact that with this criteria, certain medicines for the same disease will be under price control and others outside;

(d) whether it is a fact that with such classification, price control medicines will go out of market and in their place price decontrol medicines will be promoted;

(e) wnether it is also a fact that such classification will be infringement of Article 14 of Constitution;

(f) ir so, whether any guidelines have been isstied by his Ministry in this regard; and

(g) so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The names of drugs to be included in proposed category 1 and II have not been announced by the Government.

(d) to (g) Do not arise at this stage.

Uniform power tariff

989. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is no uniformity in the rates of power supplied by different power stations operated by the Centre;

(b) if so, what are the details of the power tariffs of the different Central Sector power stations and the reasons for the disparities; and

(c) whether it is proposed to take steps to work out a uniform power tariff for all Centra] Power Stations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATJGI): (a) Yes, sir.

(b) The cost of supply from different Central Sector generation stations differa on account of various factors like capi tal coat of the project, cost of fuel, O&M costs, etc. Tariff for supply of power from Central Generating Stations given in the enclosed statement (see below).

(c) A committee has been constituted to examine all aspects of this matter.